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PRICE \$2 PER MONTH.

## NOTES.

Dec. 20. H.L.C.M. g.b. Fr. no. 59, Vassili, from Swatow 5th December.  
Dec. 20. H.M. g.b. Orosz, 340, 3 guns, 60 Horse-power, Iron Cond. John Hope from Canton and Deep Bay 20th December.  
Dec. 20. CHUQUANG, Brig. str. 336, Warden, Canton 20th Dec., General - SIEMSEN & Co.  
Dec. 20. MAJESTIC, Brig. str. 1,341, Corry, Bombay 10th November, Cannons 24th, and Singapore 9th December.

## Departures.

Dec. 20. HINDOON, Mr. for Singapore, & Co.  
Dec. 20. GLENARMY, str. for Singapore, &c.  
Dec. 20. EUPHRATES, for London.  
Dec. 20. THOMAS WOOD, for Bangkok.  
Dec. 20. CLEARER, str. for Yokohama.  
Dec. 20. ASTRA, for Shanghai.  
Dec. 20. ASTRA, for Dangshikok.  
Dec. 20. PORTER, for Whampoa.  
Dec. 20. LUNUS, for Bangkok.  
Dec. 20. VILLA DE RIVADENEIRA, for Manila.  
Dec. 21. H.L.C.M. g.b. Per-noon, for Canton.

## Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE  
20th DECEMBER.  
Formosa, for Whampoa.  
Luzon, for Bangkok.  
Ilo, for Cape St. James.  
Queensland, for Saigon.

## Passengers.

For Mauritius, Mr. from Bombay, &c.  
For Kedah, Mr. from Singapore, Captain Robert, and child, Dr. B. B. & right wine and head master of the 13th Madras Native Infantry, 442 rank and file, 44 public followers.

## Reports.

The British Assembly, Mauritius reports first arrival of the 13th Madras Native Infantry, 442 rank and file, 44 public followers, from S.W. with heavy rain and high. On the 14th, light winds from E. and N.E. on the 14th at 8 p.m., commenced to blow strong from N.E.; midnight, heavy gale with much sea and wind E.N.E.; at noon, on the 15th, moderating. Next morning, the 16th, the Borneo would have about the 11th from Singapore, with the tailing of the same Regiment.

## Auction Sales To-day.

S. M. ARMSTRONG,  
Sundries Articles.  
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.  
Japanese Porcelain Ware.

## AMMERMAT, ATKINSON & Co.

Children Toys, &c.  
HONGKONG & CHINA GAS COMPANY.  
LIMITED.

NOTICE.—On the 1st of December, and until further notice, the price of gas will be Four Dollars per 1000 cubic feet, instead of Two Dollars and Fifty Cents as heretofore.

## A. NEWTON,

Secretary.  
233 21st Hongkong, 2nd December, 1870.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY. LIMITED.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM ON CHINESE RISKS.

ON and after the 15th instant, the minimum rate for the insurance against Fire of Chinese Premises in this Colony will be reduced to Two per cent. per annum.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited.  
1st 1870, Hongkong, 14th November, 1870.

NOTICE.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY. LIMITED.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM ON CHINESE RISKS.

ON and after the 15th instant, the minimum rate for Insurance against Fire, or First Class Chinese Premises in this Colony, will be Two per cent. per annum, instead of three per cent. as heretofore.

AMMERMAT, HEARD, & Co.,  
Hongkong, 14th November, 1870.

NOTICE.

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ADJUSTMENT OF BONUSES FOR THE YEAR 1868.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the undersigned with a list of their contributions for the year 1868, and the amount of the same, in order that the distribution of 20% of the Profits reserved for contribution may be arranged.

Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently made.

Augustine Heard, Esq., of Messrs. Augustine Heard & Co.,  
General Managers.

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Messrs. G. & J. GABRIEL, Esq., of Messrs. G. & J. GABRIEL, Esq.,  
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## DOCKS.

## PORT OF AMoy.

SHIROWELL'S AGENTS, and COM-  
MANDERS are informed that the Dock  
Company's Establishments at the above  
Port afford every facility, at moderate charges,  
for  
REPAIRING AND SPARING VESSELS  
AND  
CLEANING AND PAINTING IRON  
SHIPS AND STEAMERS.

THEIR LARGE GRANITE DOCK,  
Has 288 feet length on the blocks, and at  
average spring tides can receive Vessels of 16 to  
17 feet draught. The Dock Company's  
CARS, CRANES, AND POWERFUL CENTRIFUGAL  
STEAM-PUMPS.

And an Engineers' work-shop fitted with Lathes  
and Tools, driven by steam. Iron and Brass  
Foundries, Boiler-makers shop, large Gas  
and Carpenters and Boat-builders about 200  
superior.

Their two smaller GRANITE DOCKS can  
receive, at spring tides, Vessels drawing 12 feet.  
Spars, Timber, and other Dock-yard material  
kept in stock.

Quarters for Officers, and a DRY GODEWN  
or STORES, of Vessels under repair,  
of 237' Amoy, December 1868.

## FOOCROW DOCK.

## RIVER MIN.

THE above quoted quoted DOCK, of the  
present dimensions, 288' length, 300  
feet, breadth at bottom 40 feet, is capable of  
receiving Vessels drawing 13 to 16 feet, as  
the state of the Tides will allow. The Dock runs  
dry to the Blocks and is pumped out by Steam  
The above premises comprise a large Machine  
Shop, containing 12 iron SCREW CUTTING  
GAP LATHE.

## DRILLING AND SWINGING MACHINES.

## A LARGE SMITHY, &amp;c., &amp;c.

LARGE Godown with the premises for  
STORING OIL, CO. &c., &c.

The Dock Steamer Tug "Wolverine" is available  
at all times to tow vessels to or from Sea, at our  
own rates, on application to

JOHN G. SKYE,  
Superintendent.

The list of charges for lighting of rumbling  
vessels can be obtained from

MORAN, DE SILVER & CO., Hongkong.

MESRS. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., Shanghai.

May 3

The Chronicle and Directory for 1871.

THIS Work, now in the NINTH  
year of its existence, will be published  
as early as practicable after the  
close of the current year.

It will be compiled and printed at  
the Daily Press Office, as usual, from  
the best and most authentic sources;  
and no pains will be spared to make  
the work complete in all respects.

In addition to the usual varied and  
voluminous information, the value of  
the "Chronicle and Directory for  
1871" will be further augmented by  
the addition of a Chromo-lithograph  
plate of the NEW CODE OF SIG-  
NALS in use at the Peak; also of the  
various HOUSE FLAGS; a MAP OF  
HONGKONG; a MAP OF JAPAN;  
and a CHART OF THE COAST,  
besides other local information and  
statistical data to date of publication,  
tending to make this work the  
vade mecum for all Public, Mercantile  
and General Offices.

The Publisher requests that those  
persons who have not yet returned the  
printed forms which have been sent to  
them to fill up, will be good enough to  
do so without delay. Any persons who  
have recently arrived, and to whom  
printed forms have not been sent, are  
respectfully requested to forward their  
names and addresses as early as pos-  
sible for insertion.

Daily Press Office, Nov. 15th, 1870.

DEATH  
On the 20th instant, Mr. GUTHRIE FABRICK,  
M.A., aged 43, a man of Bremen. The  
funeral will leave Webster's, Banbury at 4:30  
P.M. to day (21st).

The offices of the Daily Press that this office  
comes to on Tuesday morning at 10:10 and the last  
news letters in the office at 10:30.

## The Daily Press

## HONGKONG, DECEMBER 21st, 1870.

It is impossible to consider the reply, which  
has been made by Mr. HARRISON to the  
letter from Mr. MACARTHUR, regarding the  
defence of British subjects in China as any  
satisfactory guarantee against trouble! Per-  
fect confidence is expressed that Admiral  
KELLY will take all measures necessary for  
the protection of life and property, should  
occasion require him to do so; but it is im-  
possible to say what grounds this con-  
fidence is based. According to the reply to  
Mr. MACARTHUR, the instructions given to  
the naval force remain unaltered. These  
instructions are not to take any action until  
an outbreak has actually occurred; and even  
then to endeavour to receive the persons man-  
ifested on board the men-of-war, rather than  
immediately adopt measures to put down  
the disturbance. So long as these instruc-  
tions remain in force, the hands of the naval  
authorities are completely tied; and, although  
it may suit the Foreign Office to express  
their confidence in them, being quite safe  
in Admiral KELLY's hands, it is obvious  
that such is not the case so long as he is  
kept under such strong restrictions. As has  
been pointed out over and over again, there  
can be nothing more calculated to induce  
opposition on the part of the Chinese than  
such an arrangement, as has been made.  
Experience proves that ultimate con-  
siderations of difficulty will not weigh with  
them, and that security can only be main-  
tained by their being kept in dread of im-  
mediate disaster should any disturbance arise.  
The Chinese system of government is such  
that order can only be maintained in any  
given district by making the inhabitants  
of the place mutually responsible. This plan  
is no doubt open to serious objection; but it  
is that which is everywhere adopted in  
China, and it is the only one which  
we can rely upon ourselves. If a dis-  
turbance or a serious crime happen in a  
given district, the whole of the inhabitants  
are held liable to punishment until order has  
been re-established, or the culprits discovered.  
In this way, the people, who cannot  
otherwise be relied upon, either to inform  
the authorities when risings are being plot-  
ted, or to assist in securing the criminals  
after an outbreak has occurred, are made  
anxious to perform the duty towards Society  
which is a better governed places people  
perform naturally and without coercion.

Giving information about criminals or criminal  
designs in China, is attended with risk, of  
being molested by gangs or secret associations  
to which the culprits belong; and in  
consequence of this, the Chinese officials  
have long recognized the fact, that the  
only means of keeping something like  
order is to make the whole population in  
the neighbourhood of the place amenable to  
punishment until the information neces-  
sary is forthcoming—somewhat in the same  
way as a schoolmaster finds out a juvenile  
delinquent, who will not confess, by keeping  
the whole class from play till the truth has  
been discovered.

No doubt this is a mode of procedure  
which there are many objections; but it is  
necessitated by the weakness of the adminis-  
tration, and in following it we should only  
be obtaining for ourselves the same security  
as the Chinese officials have long discovered  
to be essential. So long as the inhabitants  
of a given city or district are kept in dread  
that in the event of any molestation of  
strangers they will be all likely to get into  
trouble, they have the utmost interest in  
averting the possibility of any disturbance  
as soon as symptoms of anything of the kind  
become manifest, and by this means we are  
able to call into play the principle of mutual  
responsibility, upon which the Chinese officials  
themselves rely. To let the Chinese know,  
therefore, that there is no fear of such conse-  
quences immediately happening, is to take  
away their chief motive for preventing dis-  
turbances; and this is precisely what is done  
by the present Admiralty instructions. The  
chief mistake in regard to them is that the  
Chinese have been allowed to know of their  
existence. It is no doubt prudent to give  
such instructions to the naval authorities  
will tend to reduce the chance of their  
entering upon small local hostilities to a  
minimum. But it is in the highest degree  
impolitic to let the Chinese know that such  
instructions have been given. If allowed  
time, the Chinese will evade anything; and by  
assuring them that in any case they may be  
to blame for their own misfortunes, we  
are offering the greatest encouragement  
to the mob to insult and molest us. So long  
therefore, as the present Admiralty instruc-  
tions are in force, it is impossible for those  
who understand the nature of affairs in  
China to share in the confidence so glibly  
expressed in Mr. HARRISON's despatch.

The following announcement appears in the  
Longton papers:

FOR THE CHRONICLE AND DIRECTORY.  
The second number of the "Chronicle and  
Directory for 1871" will be published on  
December 21st, 1870. The price will be  
1s. 6d. The subscribers will receive  
the portion of the Hongkong Hotel, the others  
run out; the second man purposed the first, down  
the Queen's road making a great disturbance;  
turning out nearly all the people in the Queen's  
Road. No. 1 pleased that he was walking with  
grandmother No. 2, & so on. No. 3, & so on. No. 4,  
the other man had however snatched a  
pocket of his money. Brood & each, in default, three  
days imprisonment.

PC. 206. W. L. Contingent, was fined \$1,  
upon the complaint of one Henry Bunker,  
that he had been a boy trying to  
get into the house of his master, and that he  
had wanted him to fight. At this  
time, he was just come out of a bath. De-  
fendant stated that he had seen a boy trying to  
get into the house in Taipingshan, and had tried  
to prevent; there we always a boy trying to  
get into the house. The complainant had  
hit him, and then stood up on the arm, then he  
had retaliated.

IN THE BOXE.  
Shia-yu and Chün-an, a pair of gamblers,  
had been taken out of the prison on  
the 17th March, 1869, and were ordered to  
go to the prison to be confined in one  
hundred in taung of \$10 for one month.

At the 20th of May, when he was called upon  
to account, he was fined \$50 for three weeks, which  
he found on the 21st.

PC. 207. G. L. Contingent, was fined \$1,  
upon the complaint of one Henry Bunker,  
that he had been a boy trying to  
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DISORDERLY.

Woo-yen and Cheng-hang, and a num-  
ber of others, were ordered to go to the  
Central Criminal Court to be confined in  
one hundred in taung of \$10 for one month.

At the 20th of May, when he was called upon  
to account, he was fined \$50 for three weeks, which  
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PC. 208. G. L. Contingent, was fined \$1,  
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PC. 209. G. L. Contingent, was fined \$1,  
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PC. 210. G. L. Contingent, was fined \$1,  
upon the complaint of one Henry Bunker,  
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PC. 211. G. L. Contingent, was fined \$1,  
upon the complaint of one Henry Bunker,  
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PC. 212. G. L. Contingent, was fined \$1,  
upon the complaint of one Henry Bunker,  
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PC. 213. G. L. Contingent, was fined \$1,  
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PC. 214. G. L. Contingent, was fined \$1,  
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PC. 215. G. L. Contingent, was fined \$1,  
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PC. 216. G. L. Contingent, was fined \$1,  
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done with them all. Therefore, the Chinese who have emigrated to Australia or the United States have been Chinese, hardly any other person showing any desire to go or any interest in American or colonial affairs. But now it is a question where to go. In Shantung; in Foochow; and even in Tientsin, the captains of ships are besieged with applications for a passage to America. Were it not for the laws of the United States, I believe that about 200,000 would emigrate to America from China. The Chinese are a hardy race, the number would be doubled every year, and, perhaps, multiplied by five. And when they have millions—as they will in two years—they will be allowed to erect their joss-houses and temples, and the present churches of America. If, as they do, they have the right to exist, a residence in the United States makes them more devoted to their idols, shall the principle of entire religious freedom be ignored, and a law passed compelling them to abandon their religion, and observe the rights of the Christian religion? I do not see any way for their conversion, and for the salvation of religious liberty. At present it is a very deep and a very dark question to me, and I do not pretend to find it out.

There is a code of moral seems to have no connection with their religion whatever. Their religion is to obey, through few and changeable, whimsical gods, whose title to respect is founded in their power to do poor mortals harm. A man may be stoned, rub, and beaten to death, as a command, and all the while act in the direction of the command, and the dictates of his own conscience. In China, however, as far as I can learn, pays his worship to "god from the mouth of love." There is no love in the Chinese idol worship. There is love in the Chinese, who are performed in memory of the dead, for the Chinese seem to love his father and mother. And this is the only love with the fear that the gods may do him injury in the other world, makes the Chinese very vigilant in his watch over the souls of the dying. He burns a large amount of gill paper in the hope it may be transferred to the other world, where it is currency, and where, as in this world, a soul without it has a most uncomfortable time. The gods won't reward and clothe a soul without it, and the soul will be a punishment in the Chinese hell.

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FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW. THE Steamship

"DOUGLAS." Captain Toppin will have immediate despatch for the above ports. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPPY & Co. of 2103 Hongkong, 15th December, 1870.

FOR NAGASAKI AND KOBE. THE Rosina Steamship

"SHAFTEBURY." Captain Aitken will meet with quick despatch for the above ports. For Freight or Passage, apply to LANDSTEINER & Co. of 2103 Hongkong, 15th December, 1870.

FOR LONDON via THE CANAL. "Cutter of the STRAITS." THE Steamship

"LORD OF THE ISLES." Captain Toppin will meet with quick despatch for the above ports. For Freight or Passage, apply to GILMAN & Co. of 2114 Hongkong, 5th December, 1870.

FOR MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY. THE British Barque

"ENVOY." Barry, Master, will have quick despatch for the above port. For Freight, apply to OLYPHANT & Co. of 2124 Hongkong, 15th December, 1870.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. THE American Barque

"THAYER." Crosby, Master, will have quick despatch for the above port. For Freight, apply to OLYPHANT & Co. of 2124 Hongkong, 15th December, 1870.

FOR NEW YORK. THE American Barque

"ENCARNACION." Crosby, Master, will have quick despatch for the above port. For Freight, apply to MEDRIOS & Co. of 2128 Hongkong, 15th December, 1870.

FOR LONDON. THE British Ship

"KING FISHER." Godfrey, Master, and here for the above port. For Freight, apply to AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co. of 2126 Hongkong, 24th November, 1870.

FOR NEW YORK. THE American Ship

"MAORI." Mordue, Master, during the greater part of her cargo engaged, will have immediate despatch for the above port. For Freight, apply to OLYPHANT & Co. of 2124 Hongkong, 15th December, 1870.

FOR MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY. THE Clipper Ship

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FOR NEW YORK. THE American Ship

"LADY BOWEN." Woodcock, Master, will have quick despatch for the above port. For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co. of 2058 Hongkong, 24th November, 1870.

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